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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME AND AUTHORIZATION TO CHARGE DEPOSIT ACCOUNT

Dear Sir:

Applicant(s) petition(s) the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated September 20, 2002 for one (1) month from October 20, 2002 to November 20, 2002.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 10-0750/END-778/VEK the sum of \$110.00 in the name of Johnson & Johnson for the cost of filing this Petition. Please charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 10-0750/END-778/VEK One Original and two copies of this Petition are enclosed.

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